

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1003

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Requesting that construction of the National World War II Memorial proceed expeditiously.

WHEREAS, World War II was one of the great defining events in this nation's history, a time in which the people of the United States met a grave and unprecedented totalitarian threat with an extraordinary display of unity, courage, and resolve; and

WHEREAS, before the war ended, more than sixteen million Americans served in uniform and some 400,000 made the supreme sacrifice in defense of freedom; and

WHEREAS, Congress in 1993 authorized such a memorial, and on Veterans Day, 1995, President Clinton dedicated the site by sprinkling soil from fourteen overseas World War II cemeteries where approximately 160,000 Americans are interred:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-third Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the grateful citizens of South Dakota strongly and enthusiastically support the World War II memorial site location between the Washington Monument and the Lincoln Memorial on the National Mall referred to as the Rainbow Pool site; and that we encourage swift approval of a revised design concept so that the memorial can be dedicated early in the next century.

Adopted by the House of Representatives,
Concurred in by the Senate,

January 20, 1998
January 26, 1998

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Speaker of the House

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